Featherless

FOR HACKATHON BUILDERS

Hackathon Setup Guide

Build with 40,000+ open-source AI models. Serverless, OpenAI-compatible, no GPUs to manage.

PROMO CODE ALPACA26

$25 CREDITS INCLUDED

OPENAI-COMPATIBLE

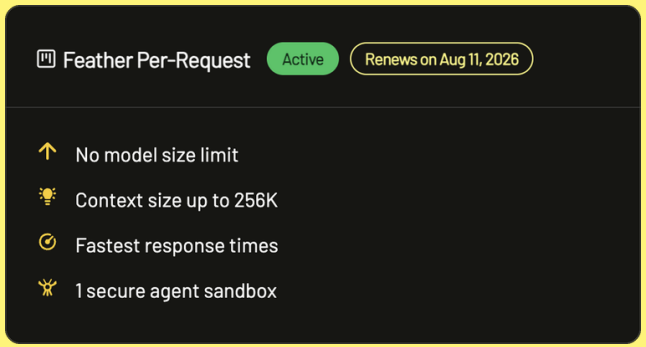
STEP 01

Sign up for Feather Per-Request

- → Scan the QR code or open the signup link, your promo code is already attached to it.
- → The code ALPACA26 is applied automatically at checkout.
- → Redeeming the code adds $25 of request credits to your account - no model size limit and context up to 256K. If the page shows an error or the code isn't applied, reload it once.

Redeem ALPACA26 →

SCAN HERE



After checkout the plan shows Active with a $25.00 credit balance. Every billed request draws from it.

STEP 02

Create your API key

- After subscribing, click your profile in the top right and open API Keys.
- Create a new key and copy it somewhere safe, you'll need it for every request.
- Treat it like a password: keep it in an environment variable, never commit it to your repo.

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# every request carries it as a bearer token
export FEATHERLESS_API_KEY=fw-...
Authorization: Bearer $FEATHERLESS_API_KEY
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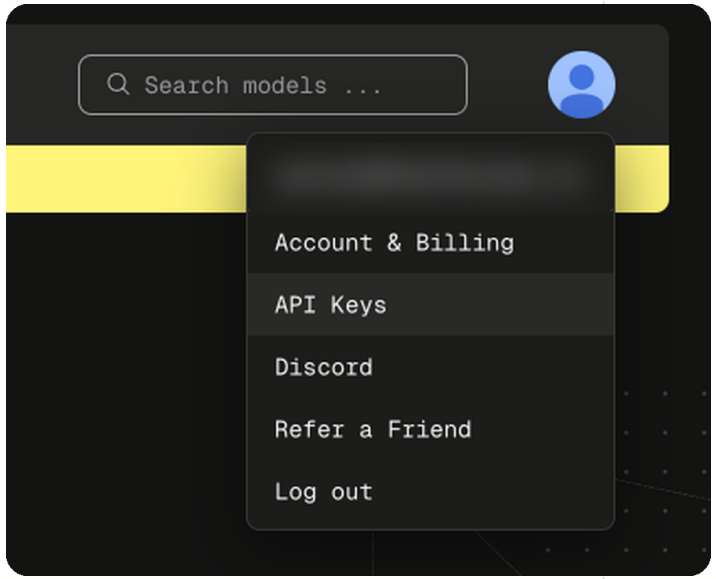


PROFILE → API KEYS

STEP 03

Plug it into your coding agent

- → Use your credits from inside Claude Code or opencode - point the agent at Featherless and pick a strong coding model like GLM 5.2.
- → Claude Code: connect Featherless as an LLM gateway with your API key - guide below.
- → opencode: run /connect, choose Other, set the base URL and paste your API key.

```
# two values cover every agent
base URL   https://api.featherless.ai/v1
model      zai-org/GLM-5.2
```

Claude Code gateway docs →

opencode provider docs →

featherless.ai/models

GOOD TO KNOW

Every request is itemized

Your Subscription page lists every billed request - the model, input and output tokens, and the exact cost - plus your live balance and spend for the period.

API requests

Billed requests only (failed and errored requests are excluded)

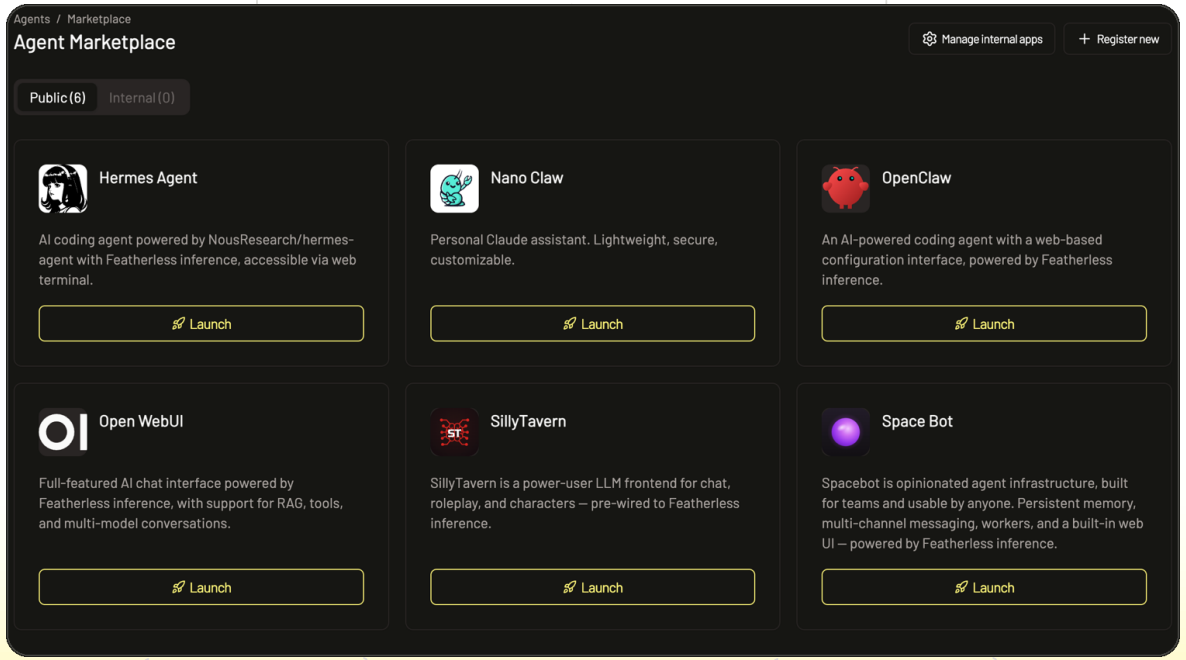
MODEL	TIME	INPUT TOKENS	OUTPUT TOKENS	COST
Qwen/Qwen2.5-7B-Instruct	12 hours ago	35 tok	2 tok	$0.000006
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	4 tok	0 tok	-
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	9 tok	0 tok	-
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	8 tok	0 tok	-
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	21 tok	0 tok	-
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	21 tok	0 tok	-
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	21 tok	0 tok	-
Qwen/Qwen3-Embedding-0.6B	18 days ago	258 tok	0 tok	-

GOOD TO KNOW

Spin up an agent in one click

Your plan includes one secure agent sandbox. Open Agents > Marketplace and launch Open WebUI, SillyTavern or a coding agent - all pre-wired to Featherless inference, no setup needed.

Video walkthroughs: youtube.com/@Isaac-featherless →



WHEN IT BREAKS

Troubleshooting in 10 seconds

401 UNAUTHENTICATED

API key not recognized. Check you copied it correctly, or create a new one in account settings.

403 UNAUTHORIZED

Model is gated. Open the model's page, click “Unlock Model” and accept the license terms.

500 INTERNAL SERVER ERROR

Request could not be processed. Check for unsupported parameters in the API documentation.

503 SERVICE UNAVAILABLE

Cold model or full capacity. Retry the request; if it persists after three attempts, ping us on Discord.

THAT'S IT

Ready to build

01

Test your setup

Create your API key and run one of the code examples

02

Explore models

Find the right model for your use case in the catalog

03

Read the docs

Application guides cover common stacks and patterns

04

Start building

Ship something great, we can't wait to see it

QUICK LINKS

Redeem ALPACA26 →

featherless.ai/models

featherless.ai/docs

Good luck, and have fun. We can't wait to see what you build.